No. 130.]

An Act further to amend the Dominion Lands Act.

HER Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and House of Commons of Constants Senate and House of Commons of Canada, enacts as follows :--

1. Sub-clause 1 of clause 34 of The Dominion Lands Act R.S.C., c. 54, 5 is hereby amended by striking out the words "or, in his clause 34 amended. absence, the senior clerk performing his duties," in the second and third lines, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "or his senior assistant."

2. Sub-clause 4 of the said clause 34 is hereby amended by Clause 34 10 striking out the words "or, in his absence, the senior clerk further amended. performing his duties," in the fifth line, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "or his senior assistant."

3. Clause 37 of the said Act is hereby amended by adding Clause 37 amended. the following sub-clause thereto :----

- "2. The Minister may withdraw from general sale and from Case of 15 settlement under the ordinary homestead provisions of this co-operative Act, any available Dominion lands, including both odd-num- association. bered and even-numbered sections or parts thereof, in tracts of one or more townships or sufficient part or parts of a township or townships, for associations of settlers who desire to engage
- 20 in co-operative farming, upon receiving, in the case of each association, an application from ten or more persons who are members thereof,-each of whom as well as every member of the association must be eligible, under the provisions of this Act, to obtain a homestead entry,-stating that they have formed an association for the purpose of engaging in co-opera-
- 25 tive farming; that for such purpose one or more townships or a part or parts of a township or townships are necessary to be reserved and set aside; that out of such lands, until they have all been entered for by members of the association, each member will be entitled to the privilege of obtaining an entry for a
- 30 part of the tract so reserved, not exceeding one quarter-section, as his homestead; and that, for the purpose of the association and for the reasons specified in sub-clause 1 of this clause, the members of the association desire to settle together in a hamlet or village within the boundaries of the lands so reserved ; and
- 35 asking that in lieu of the residence and cultivation conditions which a settler has to comply with to obtain letters-patent for the land entered for by him, as a homestead, under the ordinary homestead provisions of this Act, the residence by the settler within the said hamlet or village, for a period of not
- 40 less than three years within the meaning of this Act, and the cultivation of parcels of land, to be set aside for that purpose by the association, near the village or hamlet, out of the tract